

# Rep. Karen Bass' 2018 Congressional Art Competition

## Student Information Release Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR CERTIFICATES AND  
AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Name of Student (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Home City & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

**As Parent/ guardian, I grant this student permission to participate in Rep. Karen Bass'  
2018 Congressional Art Competition, under the rules and guidelines of the competition:**

Name of Parent / Legal Guardian (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature if Parent/ Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(If parent signature is a barrier to entry, please contact Rep. Bass' office at [bass.art@mail.house.gov](mailto:bass.art@mail.house.gov) or 323-965-1422.)

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**Both STUDENT and TEACHER must read and sign the following Statement of Compliance and Understanding. The STUDENT must also initial the 6 statements below to indicate that they have read and understood.**

Student Initial

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **ORIGINAL WORK:** We, the undersigned, represent that the art entry described on the entry form is an original work of art and personally created by the undersigned student, and that the student is entitled to copyright protection for its contents.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **IF THERE IS A LEGAL CLAIM ABOUT ORIGINALITY:** The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc. and its employees, against any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright infringement, by any party whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to the submission of the art entry in the Art Competition.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **PERMISSION TO DISPLAY:** The undersigned grant the Member and the U.S. House of Representatives the right to publicly display the art entry, if it is selected for display, in accordance with the rules of the Art Competition, for a period of two years from the latest date on this form.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ **PERMISSION TO REPRODUCE:** The undersigned also grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, the right to reproduce the art entry for any non-commercial purpose.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ **RELEASE FOR DAMAGE:** The undersigned further release the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, from any and all liability for damage, loss, or misappropriation of the art entry during and subsequent to the Art Competition.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ **FINAL DECISION ON SUITABILITY:** The undersigned acknowledge that the final decision regarding the suitability of an art entry to be displayed in the Capitol will be made by a House panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol.

**We, the undersigned, have reviewed and fully understand all rules and entry guidelines. The student has initialed the above statements to indicate the student and teacher's understanding and agreement to all of these rules and stipulations.**

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Student Signature

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Date

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Teacher Signature

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Date

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## ART COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Name of Student (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Medium Used: \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIPTION OF ARTWORK:** Please write a detailed description of the artwork, clearly identifying the major elements of the piece (i.e. 'Portrait of an older woman looking at her hands,' or 'Abstract with dripped paint').

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**ARTIST STATEMENT:** This statement will be considered by the judges for award decisions. Consider telling us where you got the idea or inspiration for your entry, what it means to you, or any message you hope it conveys. If your art entry was inspired by another work (i.e. family photo, favorite book, etc.), please describe.

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### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Entered by \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials date

Dimensions: H \_\_\_\_\_ x W \_\_\_\_\_

Final Stage:    ☐ Participant   ☐ Semi-finalist   ☐ Honorable Mention   ☐ Placed \_\_\_\_\_

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## Rules and Regulations

### FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

#### General Information

- The competition is open to **high school students only**.
- Each artwork can be no larger in **size** than 26 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 4 inches deep.
- Accepted media for the two-dimensional artwork are as follows:
  - Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
  - Drawings: colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal
  - Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
  - Collages
  - Mixed Media
  - Computer-generated art
  - Photographs
- **Deadline: March 23, 2018.** Teachers can arrange for pick up from schools at any point on or before the deadline.
- Each entry must be **original in concept, design, and execution** and may not violate U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo or image (including a painting, graphic, or advertisement) that was created by someone other than the student is a violation of the competition rules.

#### Suitability and Content Guidelines

Congressmember Karen Bass welcomes student artwork of all kinds, including those addressing pressing issues of the day.

#### Student Information and Release Forms

- Each entrant **must** submit a completed **Student Information Release Form** and **Art Competition Entry Form** that is to be signed by the teacher, a parent or guardian, and the student
- A copy of the Student Information Release Form and the Art Competition Entry Form **must be securely attached to the back of the artwork** to certify the originality of the piece.
- The forms are available at <https://bass.house.gov/services/art-competition>.
- Request the forms by email at [bass.art@mail.house.gov](mailto:bass.art@mail.house.gov).
- Copies of the flyer and the form can be provided in quantity by request.
- **Students without a fixed address, in foster care or otherwise unable to complete a portion of the form are still eligible to enter.** Teachers or students can contact the office for more information. Email [bass.art@mail.house.gov](mailto:bass.art@mail.house.gov) or call 323-965-1122.

#### Further Information or Questions

- Email the office at [bass.art@mail.house.gov](mailto:bass.art@mail.house.gov)
- Call 323-965-1422 and ask for Jacqueline Hamilton, Tenease Ramirez, or Osvaldo Ramirez.